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##### Department of Elections

Goa State Election Commission

##### Notification

No. 4/21/GMCNSE/SEC-2019/502

Read: Order No. 4/21/GMCNSE/SEC-2019/346  
dated 22-02-2021

Order No. 4/21/GMCNSE/SEC-2019/348  
dated 22-02-2021

Order No. 4/21/GMCNSE/SEC-2019/351  
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Order No. 4/21/GMCNSE/SEC-2019/359  
dated 22-02-2021

Sub.: Election process for five Municipal Councils  
viz Mormugao, Margao, Mapusa, Quepem  
and Sanguem.

Whereas, the General Elections to 11 Municipal  
Councils viz Mormugao, Margao, Mapusa,  
Bicholim, Cuncolim, Curchorem, Quepem,

Canacona, Sanguem, Pernem and Valpoi in the  
State of Goa were scheduled to be held on 20th  
March, 2021.

And whereas, the State Election Commission  
has already issued a public notice in Form No. I  
of the intended election under Rule 4 of the Goa  
Municipalities (Election) Rules, 1969.

And whereas, the Hon'ble High Court of Bombay  
at Goa vide its Order No. dated 01-03-2021 for WRIT  
PETITION NOS. 85/2021, 86/2021, 87/2021, 88/2021,  
90/2021, 91/2021, 515 of 2021 (Filing), 524/2021  
(Filing) and 525/2021 (Filing), has quashed and set  
aside the impugned order for reservation dated  
04-02-2021 in respect of Mormugao, Margao, Mapusa,  
Quepem and Sanguem, Municipal Councils and  
issued a Writ of Mandamus, to the Director and  
ex officio Additional Secretary, Municipal  
Administrator/Urban Development, Goa to issue  
fresh Notification under sub-section 1 of Section 9  
r/w. Sub-section 1 of Section 10 of the Goa  
Municipalities Act, 1968 within a period of 10 days  
from today, thereby ensuring inter alia, reservation  
for women of not less than one-third of the total  
number of seats reserved for direct elections to the  
Municipal Councils.

Now therefore, the Goa State Election  
Commission in exercise of the powers conferred  
upon it under Article 243ZA of the Constitution of  
India read with Section 10A of the Goa

Municipalities Act, 1968 do hereby direct that the entire election process for Mormugao, Margao, Mapusa, Quepem and Sanguem Municipal Councils shall be kept in abeyance till further orders. The Model Code of Conduct which was brought in force w.e.f. 22-02-2021 for Mormugao, Margao, Mapusa,

Quepem and Sanguem, Municipal Councils stands lifted with immediate effect.

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